(d) if so, the steps being taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) and (b) The details of amount allocated and spent by National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) for the financial year 2007-08 are given in Statement I and II respectively (*See* below).

(c) and (d) No, Sir. The projects have been delayed due to poor performance by some contractors, problems associated in acquisition of land, utility shifting, obtaining forest clearances, clearances from Railway for Road Over Bridges (ROBs) etc.

Statement-I

Details of amount allocated to National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) for the financial year 2007-08

(*Rs. in crore*)

Particulars	Allocated funds for 2007-08
Cess	6,541.06
External Assistance	2,236.00
Internal Extra Budgetary Resources (I.E.B.R.)	2,090.00
Sub Total	10,867.06
NH (O) Works-Special Projects in Tamilnadu and West Bengal	265.00
TOTAL;	11,132.06

Statement-II

Details of amount spent by National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) for the financial year 2007-08

Particulars	Actual 2007-08 (upto February, 2008)
Project expenditure	7,211.23
Market Borrowing & Annuity Repayments	463.34
Sub Total	7,674.57
Expenditures by Private Sector	6,216.78
TOTAL:	13,891.35

Four-laning of NHs in Jharkhand

†2291. SHRI AJAY MAROO: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the length of National Highways in Jharkhand which is targeted to be converted into four-lane in the year 2007-08;

(b) the length of highways which has been converted into four-lane so far;

†Original version of this question was received in Hindi.

(c) by when the remaining work is likely to be completed;

(d) the amount allocated by the centre under this head; and

(e) the amount spent so far under this head?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) to (c) Out of targeted length of 149 kms. under Golden Quadrilateral (GQ) in National Highways Development project (NHDP) Phase-I, four laning has been completed for 140.81 kms. as on February, 2008. The balance length is targeted to be completed by September, 2008. Under NHDP Phase III a total length of 265 kms has been included in Jharkhand State for four laning on BOT basis. These works are yet to be awarded. The targeted date for completion of NHDP Phase III is December, 2013.

(d) and (e) No Project-wise allocation is made. However, a total of Rs. 976.66 crore have been spent upto February, 2008 on four laning of National Highways in Jharkhand.

Construction of flyovers

†2292. SHRI JAI PARKASH AGGARWAL: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the places where flyovers are being constructed in the country with the central assistance as on date;

(b) the amount of central assistance sanctioned for the projects of these flyovers; and

(c) the details thereof, project-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) This Ministry is primarily responsible for development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs). In addition, funds are also provided from the Central Road Fund (CRF) for development of state roads. No flyovers are being constructed in the country from CRF as on date.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Perspective plan for major ports

2293. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has finalized perspective plan for 12 major ports in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the criteria for naming major and medium ports in the country; and

(d) the present status of Visakhapatnam Port Trust?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) and (b) Port Business Plans with a 20 year perspective for the 12 Major Ports have been prepared. Consultants, selected through the international competitive bidding process were engaged by the respective ports for the purpose. The Port Business Plans address, *inter alia,* the long term vision, goals and strategy

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